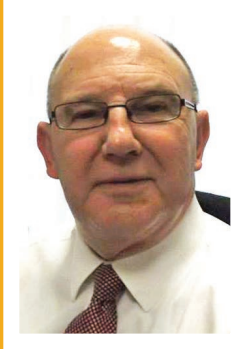


A warm welcome to our first edition of Milltech News for our motor vehicle and repair employers.

Milltech are very proud of our record of over 35 years helping learners and employers in Sunderland and the North East achieve their chosen qualifications and enabling employers to recruit and develop their own fully trained work forces.



**Derek Freeman**  
Managing Director

## Traineeships

Milltech have now begun traineeship programmes initially for Motor Vehicle.

This provides the learner with valuable work experience to get to know the job itself and working with employers in the motor trade.

After a few weeks of the assessment period involving both on the job and classroom training mutual decisions are made by both the learner and employer about commencing a Level 2 Apprenticeship.

If not agreed, Milltech will then endeavour to locate other employers to provide further work experience and additional opportunities.

Of the first group of 8 Trainees, 6 were offered full Level 2 Apprenticeships with their employers and a great opportunity to start on their chosen career path.



## The MOT inspection manual is changing from 20th May 2018 - ARE YOU UP TO DATE?

A major update is coming to the MOT inspection manual. The manual as we know it will no longer exist.

### Some of the BIG changes include:

- There are now 4 separate defect categories: Dangerous, Major, Minor and Pass (Advisories remain). Where a tester identifies a defect, they will need to refer to the manual to ensure the correct decision is made.
- The 9 sections will now be replaced with 11 sections.
- The manual will be an online web service which will be easier to navigate and can be updated in real time and will ensure all MOT testers are using the correct and most up-to-date version.
- The layout and order of the sections will change in order to align with Directive EC 2014/15

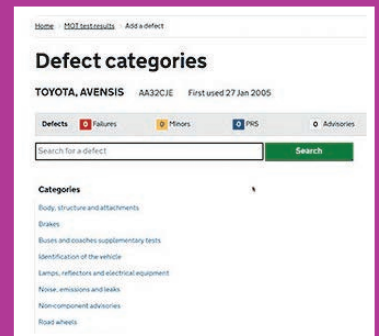
As an MOT tester *YOU* are responsible for keeping up to speed with the new rule changes, ensuring you stay compliant and testing!

### Improving the 'search for a defect'

As you'll have seen, the new MOT inspection manual is organised slightly differently and a lot of the wording has changed.

To make it easier to find defects, the 'search' function has been improved. This means you can find the defect you want to record if you're not sure which section of the manual it's in or the exact wording.

There has been lots of positive feedback about how easy this is to use, so I hope you'll find this useful.



## MEET THE TEAM: Graeme Bell and Kevin Giles

Milltech's Automotive Skills Training Officers, **Graeme Bell** (left) and **Kevin Giles** (right)

Kevin and Graeme have together almost 25 year's experience of Motor Vehicle Training with Milltech. They both had considerable hands on work experience with major groups in the North East before becoming Training Officers, giving a great depth of knowledge which is available to Milltech learners.

The main programmes covered are Motor Vehicle Level 2 and Level 3, Parts and Motor Vehicle Traineeships.

They pride themselves on being part of the largest Motor Vehicle Apprenticeship providers in Sunderland and one of the biggest in Tyne & Wear.



# Motor Vehicle VACANCIES

Milltech are now the only training provider offering full motor vehicle traineeships including work experience in the Sunderland area.

## Traineeships:

Available in Sunderland, South Shields, Washington, Middlesbrough and Stockton.

## Level 2 Apprenticeships:

Available in Sunderland, South Shields, Washington, Middlesbrough and Stockton.

## £1,000 Incentive:

There is now a £1,000 incentive for any employer taking on a 16-18 year old.

**Call Derek or Aaron to discuss these vacancies and incentives.**

## Congratulations

Milltech are sending out a big congratulations to the following learners for achieving their qualifications.

### Light Vehicle Level 3:

Ithsham Jangheen, Brett Brown, Jordan Parker, Lewis Johnson

### Motor Vehicle Level 1:

Leighton Conlin, Liam Crawford, Neil Marsh, Scott Moir, Shaun Thorburn, Kieron Burden, Brandon Carr, Shane Ibbotson, Jack Maloney, Kieran Moon, Liam Haley, Lewis Reay, Reece Jackson, Bailey Robson, Ben Carrahar

### Vehicle Parts Level 2:

Martin Larmouth

# Milltech's Success Stories

## Adam Payne

Adam started a traineeship with Milltech, covering units to support Level 1 knowledge skills. He was then placed in local garage Thirkells, 3 days a week, to gain experience to support garage duties. The garage was impressed with his ability and offered him a Level 2 Apprenticeship, 4 days a week at the workplace and 1 day a week at Milltech, working towards his technical certificate during his Level 2. Adam has gained knowledge skills throughout training and achieved his Level 2 in Motor Vehicle, he is now waiting to be signed up for Level 3.



## Nathan Hogg

Nathan has been employed by Vic Young South Shields on a Level 2 Apprenticeship, firstly working with Nissan cars and when Vic Young gained the Mitsubishi dealership he was then asked to work with them. He gained his Level 2 Apprenticeship and moved onto his Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship, during this time he attended manufactures training courses. Nathan has now completed his Level 3 and is a valued member of the team.

## Caillin Greer

Milltech arranged an interview at a main dealer Nissan and Mitsubishi garage in South Shields, where Caillin was accepted for a Level 2 programme. He started work, 4 days a week, at the Mitsubishi part of the company and attending Milltech for his technical certificate. During his apprenticeship he has gained knowledge and experience, achieving his Level 2 certificate. Caillin then progressed onto his Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship, carrying out more in-depth tasks and also attended manufacturer's courses. He has now achieved his Advanced Level 3 Apprenticeship and become a valued team member.



## James Reay

James has been employed by Vic Young South Shields on a Level 2 Apprenticeship. He has been working with Nissan vehicles carrying out services and repairs to manufactures specifications and also works in the MOT section assisting the supervisor. James has achieved his Level 2 in the allocated timescale and will move onto his Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship.

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